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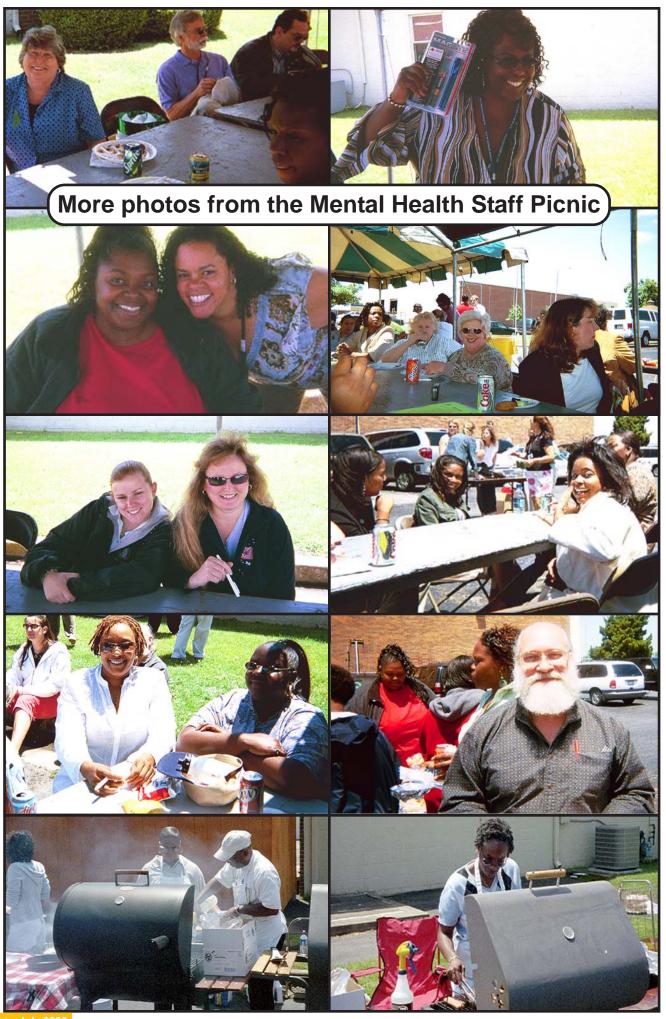
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### **Mental Health Awareness Month**

**Photos from the Mental Health Services Staff Appreciation Picnic** 

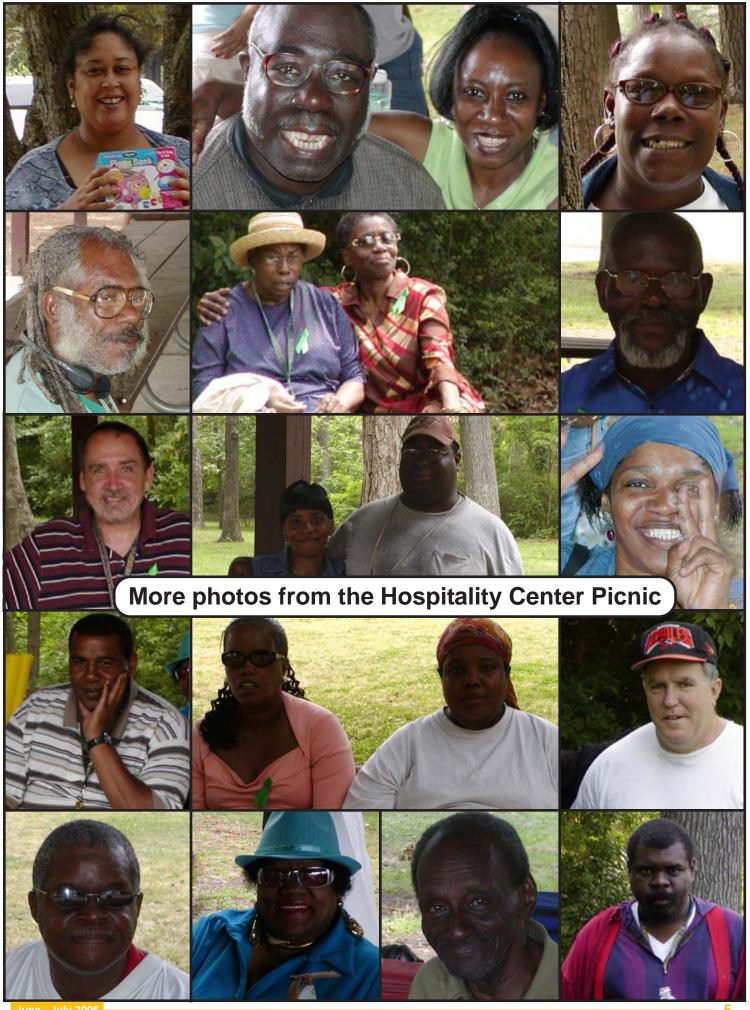






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### **Length of Service**

Congratulations to the following staff members who will celebrate the anniversary of their employment with Norfolk CSB in July and August:

### **July**

### **Twenty-Two Years**

Sandi Lee

### **Twenty Years**

Debbie Pope

### **Nineteen Years**

Marcellus Moore

#### **Sixteen Years**

Angela Bell Georgia Haynes

#### **Fourteen Years**

Dr. James Reif

### **Thirteen Years**

Dana Lusher

### **Eleven Years**

Aileen Smith Karen Stone

### **Ten Years**

Michael Bulls George Callender

### **Seven Years**

Tom Rapcavage

### Six Years

Judy Scott

### **Five Years**

Dr. Bill Forte Anitra Herod Michelle Webb

#### **Four Years**

Sherrie Bonner Cheryl Davidson Greg Port

#### **One Year**

Brandon Harris Renee Jackson Meredith Jones Erica Parker-Jackson Justin Simpson

### **August**

#### **Nineteen Years**

Michele Alexander Marla Newby Edith Payne

### **Eighteen Years**

Felita Davis Joycelyn Jones

### **Seventeen Years**

Randy Plante

### **Thirteen Years**

Vanessa Claytor

### **Twelve Years**

Leslie Culbertson

### **Eleven Years**

Sondre' Fleming

### **Ten Years**

Sheila Banks

### **Seven Years**

Gloria Polite

#### Six Years

Raymond McEvoy Diane Szabo

### **Five Years**

Jennifer Aguado Carolyn Brown Al Henry Zenobia Lewis-Marrow

### **Four Years**

Suzanne Davis

#### **Three Years**

Katina Alexander Steve Burke Kim Milbourne Eleanor Simpson Aaron Tran

### **Two Years**

**Debra Hopkins** 

#### One Year

Stephanie Gore Kelly Greenberg Holly Martz Glenda Sharp Joanne Skinner

# Another Great Web Site

The South Carolina Department of Mental Health sponsors a website, www.state.sc.us/dmh/clinical.htm, whose purpose is to make finding "clinically relevant information as easy as possible."

The website is a directory which provides links to information that may be useful to "frontline mental health professionals, psychiatry residents, graduate students, mental health clients and family members."

Each link lists a brief description and the various strengths and weaknesses of the site.

Topics include:

- Get the Facts on Mental Illness
- General Clinical Information
- Evidence-Based Practices
- Clinical Practice Guidelines
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health
- Diagnostic and Assessments
- Specific Psychiatric Disorders
- Medications
- Treatment Techniques
- Dual Disorders
- Alcohol and Drug Dependency
- Self Assessments

—Kat Cannady, Coordinator Hospitality Center

### **Update**

Congratulations two staff members whose names were not included in the May anniversary of employment list:

**Two Years** 

**One Year** 

Ellie Maryan

Terri Wood

### Birthdays at the Board

When you see these staff members who celebrate their birthdays in July and August, wish them a Happy Birthday:

### July

Suzanne Davis (1)

Lisa Gonzales (1)

Paul Fergeson (2)

Renee Jackson (2)

Elizabeth Maryan (2)

Brandon Harris (3)

Jennifer Aguado (5)

Kami Jones (5)

Kent Heintzelman (9)

Bob Horne (9)

Diana Benson (12)

Queen Bellamy (14)

Tina Stevens (15)

Brendan Ash (17)

T'Sha Buycks (18)

Camillie Smith (18)

Faye Reed (20)

Eleanor Simpson (20)

Robyn Nagy (22)

Falasha Spruiell (23)

Michele Alexander (24)

Valerie Joyner (24)

Elizabeth Myers (24)

Dr. Bill Forte (25)

Jacquelyn Cousins (26)

Frederick Peterson (26)

Dawn Morgan (27)

Michael Clark (28)

Marty Phillips (29)

Regina Hobbs (30)

### **August**

Leslie Lopes (1)

Verneta Ruffin (1)

Meg Honan (4)

Barbara Rivera (5)

Jackie Schaede (5)

Patti Gresham (6)

Diana Foster (7)

Valerie Herron (11)

Brenda Dutton-Smith (12)

Schaiquana Pinkney (12)

Joycelyn Jones (14)

George Callender (15)

Lisa Wright (15)

Carolyn Beasley (16)

Pamela Holloway (16)

Jacqueline Robinson (17)

Shenell Cooper (18)

Nell Holley (20)

Penny Witcher (22)

Sandy Johnson (23)

Ivor Purchas (23)

Katina Alexander (25)

Nathaniel Alexander (27)

Tina Salley (28)

Barbara Carter (29)

Jacqueline Baker (31)

Alberta Fennell (31)

### City of Norfolk Training

On Wednesday, June 14, 2006—defying the inclement weather—three Norfolk CSB staff members completed the City of Norfolk training "Dealing with Difficult Behaviors" and received Certificates of Completion. They are:

Stephanie Gore Brandi Whitman Joanne Skinner



## Norfolk CSB Welcomes

### **New Employees**

### **Cynthia Barrington**

Counselor III SA-Day Treatment

### Mary Russell

Medical Services Technician MSD-PACT

### Verna Gordon

Data Processing Assistant II
MR-Admin

### **Georgia Ebron**

Counselor I, CPT MH-Residential

### **Robert Jones**

Medical Services Technician MSD-PACT

### **Keisha Wilson**

Human Services Aide, CPT MH-MHRS

### **Mary Sorrell**

Human Services Aide, CPT MH-MHRS

# **Announces Promotions**

### Danielle Hill

Administrative Assistant I MRFD-MR

### **Amy Felton**

Case Manager III SA-Case Management

### Farina Brown

Case Manager III
MH-PACT

### **Yvonne Lewis**

Counselor III SA-Drug Court

# **Announces Transfers**

### Michael Clark

Case Manager II SA-HIV

### **Judith Fowler**

Mental Health Professional
MH-PACT

### **Robyn Nagy**

Case Manager II
MH-Case Management

### Mental Health Services

### **Staff Picnic**

Thank you,
Michael Johnstone,
Krista Engerman,
Ellie Maryan
and all the other
photographers for
providing picnic
pictures for our
e-newsletter!



### Hospitality Center

Picnic

Thank you,
Dana Lusher,
for sending in
the picnic pictures
so we could
see all the fun
you had!

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### **Feeling Stressed?**

### Here are 20 Tips to Help You Relax

- Get up 15 minutes earlier
- Avoid tight fitting clothes
- Make duplicate keys
- Hum a jingle
- Stop a bad habit
- Smile
- Practice preventive maintenance
- Feed the birds
- Avoid negative people
- Un-clutter your life
- Be prepared for rain
- Take a bubble bath
- Say something nice to someone
- Walk in the rain
- Schedule time to play everyday
- Develop a sense of humor
- Look at problems as challenges
- Look at the stars
- Do it today
- Stand up & stretch
- Do everything in moderation



### **Benefits Of An ACTIVE Life**

When we are feeling completely overwhelmed and stressed out, we often feel that the last thing we have time for is exercise. But did you know that spending just 30 minutes a day engaged in physical activity will quickly have you feeling more stamina and less tension. Here are some additional benefits of exercise:

- Control weight gain
- Help you sleep better
- Help you think and work better
- Improve digestion
- Improve bone density
- Improve blood sugar levels
- Lower blood pressure
- Reduce your risk of diabetes, stroke, and some cancers
- Boost your self confidence
- Boost your spirits

Source: WELCOA



## Find The Calm

Learn to relax through meditation. Leave the noise behind for 10-15 minutes every day. Here's how to get started:

- Pick a place and time free of distraction.
- Sit on a comfortable chair or cushion with your spine erect.
- Close your eyes and quietly take slow, deep breaths.
- Focus on your breathing or a peaceful image. Each time your mind wanders gently bring it back.

The practice of meditation is an effective remedy for anxiety and depression. It may also help with high blood pressure, irritable bowel, and other ailments.

Source: www.personalbest.com